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The Report of The Chief Electoral Officer On The Calgary-Buffalo By-election Held Tuesday, July 21, 1992

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Mr. Bob Bogle, Chairman
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Legislature Building
Edmonton, Alberta

Dear Mr. Bogle:

I have the privilege to enclose the Report of the Chief Electoral Officer concerning the Calgary-Buffalo By-election that was held on Tuesday, July 21, 1992. Information on the Special Enumeration conducted in preparation for the By-election is included.

This Report is submitted pursuant to the provisions of Section 4(3) of the Election Act.

Should you require clarification or additional information on anything contained in this Report I would be pleased to respond.

Yours respectfully,

P D Ledgerwood

Patrick D. Ledgerwood
Chief Electoral Officer

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Calgary-Buffalo By-election Report

Introduction

A vacancy in the Electoral Division of Calgary-Buffalo was created by the death of Mr. Sheldon Chumir, on January 26, 1992.

The resulting By-election was held pursuant to the provisions of the Election Act, Chapter E-2 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1980, with amendments up to and including August 18, 1989. The electoral division boundary as described in the Schedule to the Electoral Divisions Amendment Act, proclaimed April 10, 1986, was used at this By-election.

Special Enumeration

In accordance with the provisions of Section 35 of the Election Act, the Chief Electoral Officer directed that a Special Enumeration be held in the Electoral Division of Calgary-Buffalo during the period February 12 through February 22, 1992.

Accordingly, the electoral map was revised prior to the enumeration. The normal period of enumeration revisions was deferred in favour of the Revisions Period associated with the election process.

Information concerning the Special Enumeration was published twice in the Calgary Herald and the Calgary Sun newspapers during the period February 8 to February 12, 1992.

The Special Enumeration resulted in 24,886 electors placing their names on the List of Electors.

The total cost to conduct this Special Enumeration was $56,309, a summary is on Page 7.

By-election

By order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, a Writ of Election, dated June 23, 1992, was issued by the Chief Electoral Officer to the Returning Officer, Mrs. C. Elaine Williams, pursuant to Sections 36 and 37 of the Election Act.

Nomination Day was July 7, 1992 and Polling Day was July 21, 1992. Five candidates, each registered under the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, were nominated. One Advance Poll was held on July 16th, 17th and 18th. Two Treatment Centre Polls were conducted on Polling Day.

The Returning Officer announced the Official Results on July 31, 1992. Mr. Gary Dickson was declared duly elected. The Writ of Election and the Returning Officer's Certificate and Return, certifying Mr. Dickson's election, were returned to the Chief Electoral Officer on August 4, 1992. No appeal for a judicial recount, or from any decision of the Returning Officer concerning any of the ballots, was applied for pursuant to Section 142 of the Election Act.

The Chief Electoral Officer has arranged for the publication of the By-election Return in the August 31, 1992 issue of the Alberta Gazette.

Nomination deposits were forfeited by 4 of the 5 candidates. The forfeited deposits, totalling $400.00, were paid through the Chief Electoral Officer to the Provincial Treasurer for deposit to the General Revenue Fund.

An overview of results indicating the total votes obtained by each candidate and a statement of results by poll are on Pages 3, 4 and 5. A map of the Electoral Division of Calgary-Buffalo, which displays numbered polling subdivisions, is included on Page 6.

The total cost of the By-election was $46,720.00, a summary is on Page 8.

Registered candidates are required to file By-election Campaign Period Financial Statements with the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, not later than October 21, 1992. The information, which pertains to candidates' election expenses, will be published in the Calgary Herald and the Calgary Sun newspapers in accordance with Section 3(1)(d) of the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act.

Registered political parties, who participated, must file audited financial statements, not later than January 21, 1993. These financial statements will list contributions, receipts, transfers of funds/materials and expenditures concerning the campaigns. In accordance with Section 10 of the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, all financial statements will be available for inspection in the public files maintained by the Chief Electoral Officer and pertinent data from each will be published in the 16th Annual Report of the Chief Electoral Officer in August 1993.

Overview of Results

Candidate Political Affiliation *(Elected)	Valid Ballots Received	Percentage of Valid Ballots
Joseph **BABINEAU** C.O.R. Party of Alberta	268	3.12
Sol **CANDEL** Alberta Greens	201	2.34
***Gary DICKSON** Alberta Liberal Party	4,636	53.89
Elaine **HUSBAND** Alberta New Democrats	2,185	25.40
Rod **LOVE** Alberta Progressive Conservative	1,312	15.25
Total Valid Ballots Counted	8,602	

- Total Names on List of Electors 26,029
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- Total Ballots Rejected 47
- Total Ballots Cast 8,649
- Percent Voter Turnout 33.2

Electoral Division of Calgary-Buffalo
Statement of Results

POLL NUMBER	NAME OF POLL	BABINEAU Joseph COR	CAMDEL Sol AG	*DICKSON Gary LIB	HUSBAND Elaine NDP	LOVE Rod PC	NAMES ON LIST	VALID BALLOTS	REJECTED BALLOTS	BALLOTS CAST	% VOTER TURNOUT
1	Downtown Calgary	0	0	75	17	37	380	129	4	133	35.0
2	Downtown Calgary	2	2	34	26	13	385	77	1	78	20.3
3	Downtown Calgary	5	4	49	27	5	362	90	0	90	24.9
4	Downtown Calgary	5	4	84	32	18	485	143	2	145	29.9
5	Downtown Calgary	0	8	56	35	11	491	110	0	110	22.4
6	Downtown Calgary	3	2	42	20	9	374	76	0	76	20.3
7	Downtown Calgary	2	1	65	35	16	487	119	0	119	24.4
8	Downtown Calgary	3	1	49	29	10	387	92	0	92	23.8
9	Downtown Calgary	0	2	52	25	10	393	89	1	90	22.9
10	Downtown Calgary	11	1	77	42	15	463	146	3	149	32.2
11	Beltline	3	1	94	30	36	411	164	0	164	39.9
12	Beltline	6	3	94	34	36	491	173	1	174	35.4
13	Beltline	8	2	61	44	14	517	129	0	129	25.0
14	Beltline	8	1	110	46	19	457	184	2	186	40.7
15	Beltline	3	4	52	27	7	396	93	0	93	23.5
16	Beltline	3	2	78	22	29	449	134	1	135	30.1
17	Beltline	1	4	88	49	27	639	169	0	169	26.4
18	Beltline	2	2	52	44	10	395	110	2	112	28.4
19	Beltline	4	0	105	34	25	423	168	0	168	39.7
20	Beltline	4	6	61	27	16	357	114	0	114	31.9
21	Beltline	1	2	84	25	21	449	133	3	136	30.3
22	Beltline	3	3	82	18	19	476	125	0	125	26.3
23	Beltline	3	2	55	20	20	442	100	0	100	22.6
24	Beltline	6	1	59	39	12	401	117	1	118	29.4
25	Beltline	4	4	64	34	28	570	134	0	134	23.5
26	Beltline	6	0	81	31	18	402	136	0	136	33.8
27	Beltline	8	2	43	24	8	470	85	0	85	18.1
28	Beltline	3	3	34	22	17	365	79	0	79	21.6
29	Sunalta	4	8	58	27	11	383	108	0	108	28.2
30	Sunalta	2	5	54	50	13	401	124	1	125	31.2
31	Sunalta	5	3	57	45	16	468	126	1	127	27.1
32	Sunalta	2	4	37	27	7	438	77	0	77	17.6
33	Sunalta	3	1	52	23	7	538	86	0	86	16.0
34	Sun Alta Scarboro	1	4	99	24	28	354	156	0	156	44.1
35	Scarboro	4	6	137	28	38	389	213	1	214	55.0
36	Upper Scar Shaganappi	11	6	164	22	37	437	240	0	240	54.9
37	Lower Scarboro	11	1	95	37	54	342	198	0	198	57.9
38	Shaganappi	2	2	86	41	36	416	167	0	167	40.1
39	Shaganappi	8	7	101	49	33	462	198	0	198	42.9
40	Spruce Cliff	3	1	54	48	16	378	122	0	122	32.3
41	Spruce Cliff	4	3	65	47	25	429	144	2	146	34.0
42	Spruce Cliff	6	1	86	35	22	383	150	1	151	39.4
43	Spruce Cliff	6	4	119	36	21	338	186	1	187	55.3
44	Knob Hill	3	3	105	36	36	439	183	1	184	41.9
45	Knob Hill	3	4	98	38	34	410	177	0	177	43.2
46	Knob Hill	3	2	76	19	14	345	114	3	117	33.9
47	Bankview	10	6	57	48	20	428	141	1	142	33.2
48	Bankview	3	10	64	40	25	436	142	1	143	32.8
49	Bankview	9	3	48	27	13	422	100	1	101	23.9
50	Bankview	1	0	52	34	7	449	94	0	94	20.9
51	Bankview	7	8	43	53	10	448	121	0	121	27.0
52	Bankview	7	2	46	31	10	373	96	0	96	25.7
53	Bankview	5	3	50	40	12	461	110	0	110	23.9
54	Bankview	5	4	43	36	9	334	97	0	97	29.0
55	South West Calgary	3	1	49	51	11	448	115	2	117	26.1

Electoral Division of Calgary-Buffalo
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56	South West Calgary	6	0	62	54	30	412	152	1	153	37.1
57	South West Calgary	5	7	101	33	34	361	180	1	181	50.1
58	South West Calgary	3	4	61	55	15	462	138	0	138	29.9
59	South West Calgary	4	1	114	33	32	432	184	1	185	42.8
60	South West Calgary	3	9	112	34	34	450	192	0	192	42.7
61	South West Calgary	3	3	126	33	22	446	187	1	188	42.2
62	T.C. Col Belcher Hosp	2	2	14	7	6	0	31	0	31	
63	T.C. Cedars Villa	0	2	4	3	15	0	24	1	25	
64	Advance Poll	3	1	115	50	32	0	201	1	202	
65	Incapacitated & Absent	1	3	52	33	21	0	110	4	114	
	TOTAL	268	201	4,636	2,185	1,312	26,029	8,602	47	8,649	33.2

CALGARY-BUFFALO

PROVINCIAL ELECTORAL DIVISION

As Defined by the Electoral Divisions Act 1985

Calgary-Buffalo Special Enumeration
Financial Summary

Returning Officer:		
Fees	3,739.	
Travel	5.	
Rentals, Miscellaneous and Telephone	519.	
Publishing	4,221.	
Printing	992.	
Support Staff	20.	9,496.
Enumerators:		
Fees		42,986.
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (See "Note"):		
Electronic Production of Lists of Electors	3,298.	
Map Reproduction	417.	
Transportation	112.	3,827.
Total Cost of the Calgary-Buffalo Special Enumeration		$56,309.

Note: Most enumeration supplies were acquired from warehouse inventory on hand at the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer. These supplies were originally stocked for the 1988 General Enumeration.

Calgary-Buffalo By-election
Financial Summary

Returning Officer:		
Fees	5,728.	
Travel	18.	
Office Rental, Telephone and Miscellaneous	1,938.	
Publishing	9,207.	
Printing	1,136.	18,027.
Election Clerk:		
Fees	4,172.	
Travel	19.	4,191.
Supervisory Deputy Returning Officers:		
Fees		2,000.
Deputy Returning Officers:		
Fees		11,450.
Poll Clerks:		
Fees		6,600.
Support Staff:		
Wages		75.
Polling Place Rental:		2,620.
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (See "Note"):		
Report Cost	1,100.	
Postage, Transportation and Travel	657.	1,757.
Total Cost of the Calgary-Buffalo By-election		$46,720.

Note: Most election supplies were acquired from warehouse inventory on hand at the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer. These were originally stocked for the 1989 General Election.